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Pets.tv Episode #508A

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General Synopsis for Episode #508A

In this episode young viewers visit **STAR ECO Station**, an environmental science museum and wildlife rescue center. Katiana Bozzi, **co-founder of STAR ECO** Station shares their mission is to teach wildlife preservation through education. She states, "Animals are ambassadors to teach about their country, what are good pets and what should stay in the wild". Orion Comstock, **director of herpetology** at the station, introduces various exotic and dangerous animals that are common pets but have been rescued from dire situations and provides educational facts about the special physical and emotional care each animal needs. He emphasizes that you must learn the responsibility of keeping a pet from a baby to adult and find out how big and how long it will live before deciding to have it as a pet. ECO Station's mobile museum goes into the community by visiting schools with an educational outreach program. Animal exhibits allow students to interact with exotic and dangerous animals and educates students on animal conservation. Each year over 25,000 people attend ECO Station Earth Day celebration and learn ways to save our planet through environmental education.

Observation and Conclusion

Episode #508A teaches young viewers that some animals are not meant to be pets. You need to know the responsibility of taking care of exotic or dangerous animals if you are considering them for a pet. This episode of <u>Pets.tv</u> delivers an educational and informational message that supports current social, intellectual and emotional aspects of children ages 13 and up. Attributes and advice emphasized by guests instill a grounded balance of knowledge, priorities, commitment, and perseverance children can apply to their lives.

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